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FM AMCONSUL DURBAN
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 2573
INFO AMEMBASSY PRETORIA
AMCONSUL CAPE TOWN
AMCONSUL JOHANNESBURG

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CAPE TOWN FOR EMBASSY

EO 11652: NA
TAGS: PINT SHUM SF
SUBJ: BCP LEADER DETAINED

REF: DURBAN 045

1. THE REVEREND B.N.B. NGIDI, A MEMBER OF THE UNITED CON-
GREGATIONAL CHURCH OF SOUTH AFRICA AND A LEADING FIGURE IN THE
BLACK COMMUNITY PROGRAM (BCP) IN NATAL, WAS ARRESTED AT 4:30
AM ON MAY 7 BY SECURITY POLICE IN DURBAN. HE IS BEING HELD IN
DETENTION UNDER SECTION 6 OF THE TERRORISM ACT. HIS SON IS
ONE OF THE FORMER UNIVERSITY OF ZULULAND STUDENTS CURRENTLY
BEING TRIED IN DURBAN (REFTEL) FOR INVOLVEMENT IN THE ARSON
AND RIOTS THAT STRUCK THE UNIVERSITY LAST YEAR IN THE WAKE
OF THE SOWETO VIOLENCE. H.J. BENGU, AN ASSOCIATE OF REV.
NGIDI AND CHAIR MAN OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE BCP IN
NATAL AS WELL AS A MEMBER OF INKATHA'S CENTRAL COMMITTEE,
AND LEWIS SKWEYIYA, A BLACK ADVOCATE PARTICIPATING IN THE DEFENSE
OF THE STUDENTS, TOLD A CONGEN OFFICER THAT THEY BELIEVED REV.

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NGIDI WAS DETAINED AT LEAST PARTLY BECAUSE OF HIS SPIRITED
INVOLVEMENT IN THE DEFENSE OF THE STUDENTS.

2. BENGHU, ALSO AN ATTORNEY, HAS CONTACTED MINISTER OF JUSTICE
KRUGER TO DETERMINE THE CHARGE AGAINST REV. NGIDI AND CLARIFY
WHETHER THIS ARREST AND RECENT BANNING OF DR. MAMPHELA
RAMPHELE IN KING WILLIAMS TOWN, WHO IS ALSO A BCP OFFICIAL,

SIGNALS A CAMPAIGN AGAINST THE ORGANIZATION.
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